



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 5288

House of Representatives, April 4, 2012

The Committee on Judiciary reported through REP. FOX, G. of the 146th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED WOMEN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Correction
2 shall examine the feasibility, costs and benefits of (1) permitting the
3 placement of children born to detained women at the Connecticut
4 Correctional Institution, Niantic, at a nursery facility within such
5 institution, and (2) establishing a nursery facility within such
6 institution for such purpose.
- 7 (b) In conducting such examination, the commissioner shall
8 consider possible eligibility criteria for placement of children at such
9 nursery facility. Such eligibility criteria may include, but need not be
10 limited to:
- 11 (1) Limiting eligibility to detained women who were pregnant when
12 their detention began and whose children were born during such
13 detention;

14 (2) Limiting eligibility to women whose detention does not exceed
15 eighteen months or any other period recommended by the
16 commissioner; and

17 (3) Requiring participants to comply with any program, education,
18 counseling or other participation requirements established by the
19 commissioner.

20 (c) Not later than January 2, 2013, the Commissioner of Correction
21 shall submit a report on such examination and the commissioner's
22 recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General
23 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary. Such
24 report shall be submitted in accordance with section 11-4a of the
25 general statutes, and shall identify amendments to sections 18-69 and
26 18-69a of the general statutes necessary to implement such
27 recommendations, if any.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In section 1(b), changes were made for proper grammar.

JUD *Joint Favorable Subst.-LCO*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

There is no fiscal impact associated with studying the feasibility and costs of establishing a childcare facility at the Connecticut Correctional Institution, Niantic for the children of women detained at the facility.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 42 Nay 0 (03/21/2012)